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Complainants disagree with Duke's position that Act 62 resolves the issues raised in the Complaint. The Complaint seeks an order compelling Duke to enter into PURPA-compliant PPAs with the QFs identified in the complaint. Although Duke how offers PPAs with a contract of 10 years as required by Act 62, it is offering to do so only at current avoided cost rates, rather than rates calculated as of the date those projects incurred legally enforceable obligations under PURPA. Act 62 specifically preserved the existing PURPA rights of QFs established prior to the effective date of the Act. SC Code Ann. 58-41-20(F)(1). Therefore the Complainants' demand for PURPA-compliant PPAs remains unresolved.

That being said, Complainants made a settlement offer to Duke on July 2, 2020, which we understand the Company is considering. We will provide an update if settlement discussions are successful, or if they terminate without an agreement being reached.

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Duke continues to believe that Act 62's requirement for Duke to offer power purchase agreements with a 10-year term fog all small power producer QFs resolves the underlying issues in this case, as described in Duke's Report to the Commission filled on May 16, 2019 in this docket. Since the enactment of Act 62, Duke has offered to purchase the output from all small power producer QFs with a contract length of 10 years. The PPA governing such purchases of QF power was approved by the Commission in Docket Nos. 2019-185-E and 2019-186-E and was most recently filed by Duke in those dockets on May 15, 2020.

Regards,
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Thank you.

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